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SUBJECT: U.S. RESPONSE REGARDING INFORMAL MEETING ON
DEBT IN SEPTEMBER

REF: STATE 174838

1. EMBASSY CONVEYED INFORMATION IN REFTEL TO HMG (DAVID GORE-BOOTH, FINANCIAL RELATIONS DEPT.' FCO). GORE-BOOTH, AFTER CONSULTING HIS COLLEAGUES, CALLED BACK TO RESPOND THAT (A) THE U.K. RECEIVED THE U.S. RESPONSE "WITH STUDIED CALM" AND (B) ASSUMED THE U.S. WAS CONVEYING ITS POSITION TO PARIS AND BONN, AS PAST AND PRESENT GROUP B COORDINATORS. WE RESPONDED THAT REFTEL HAD BEEN ADDRESSED TO BOTH CAPITALS.

2. COMMENT: WE GATHER THAT THE BRITISH WILL LEAVE IT TO PARIS AND BONN TO RESPOND SUBSTANTIVELY. GORE-
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BOOTH'S OWN INITIAL REACTION WAS POSITIVE BUT WE HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THE U.S. CONDITIONS IN PARA 2 OF REFTEL, PARTICULARLY (B), MAY HAVE RUBBED SOME OF HIS COLLEAGUES THE WRONG WAY - PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO DRAFTED THE BRITISH PAPER. THAT BEINQ SAID, THE BRITISH WILL LEAVE IT TO OTHERS TO ARGUE THE CASE - IF THEY CHOOSE TO DO SO.

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